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Re: In the Matter of the Joint Application Between Citizens Utilities Company and Cap Rock Energy Corporation for the Approval of the Sale of Certain Electric Utility Properties in Arizona and the Transfer of the Certificate of Convenience and Necessity from Citizens to Cap Rock

Docket Nos.: E-01032A-00-0163, E-01032B-00-0163, E-01032C-00-0163, E-02051A-00-0163

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Dear Docket Control Center:

Enclosed please find the original and 10 copies of the Status Report and Request for Continued Suspension of Proceedings in the above-referenced matter.

Also enclosed is a copy to be date stamped and returned in the enclosed, self-addressed stamped envelope.

Very truly yours,

Natalie L. Hocken

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ELECTRIC UTILITY PROPERTIES IN
ARIZONA AND THE TRANSFER OF THE
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STATUS REPORT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED SUSPENSION OF PROCEEDINGS

Pursuant to the Clarifying Motion Requesting Continued Suspension of Proceedings filed November 16, 2000, Cap Rock and Citizens submit this status report and request for continued suspension of the proceedings.

During the past thirty days, Cap Rock has been working diligently on preparing its S-1 statement for filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission in order to complete its conversion from a cooperative into an investor-owned utility as part of this transaction. Cap Rock and Citizens have continued to make progress on reaching a modified transaction; however, in light of the extremely volatile power markets, Cap Rock and Citizens have been devoting their attention to the resolution of these issues in light of the impacts they may have on this transaction.

Cap Rock and Citizens agree to report back on the status of the matter in 30 days. To address the Staff's concern set forth in Staff's Response, Cap Rock and Citizens agree to

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waive all facets of the timeclock rule set forth in A.A.C. R14-2-212.E.

We hereby respectfully request the continued suspension of the above-captioned matter as proposed herein.

Dated: December 18, 2000

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